GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
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ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE FOR POWER PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether power projects face considerable delay in securing clearance from the Environment Department:

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the details of steps being taken to simplify the clearance process and other measures being taken to grant expeditious clearance to the projects ?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The important steps to simplify the clearance process are :

(i) Review and Reengineering of existing environmental clearance procedures.

(ii) Decentralization of Work.